

TORRANCE HERALD Sports

Letters to The Sports Editor

ED. NOTE: Upon returning to our desk late Tuesday night we found the following "letter to the editor" on top of a stack of sports copy written by George Whitting, student body president of Torrance High School...

Very sorry this wasn't in sooner. I was very busy last week with sports writing Tues., F. & S. banquet Wed., & junior city day and mock council meet Thurs. eve. Also had term report (15,000 words) to hand in on civics Fri.

Was sick Fri. night, went to convention Sat. & beach party Sat. night—stayed catching up on home work Sunday but found it necessary to do some English & no sports last night—couldn't write sports until tonight.

Am still behind in English—will catch up tomorrow & have stories in Mon. next week.

Love & Kisses, George

Eight Varsity Cindermen Set For City Finals

Eight crack Narbonne varsity trackmen will vie with other finalists from the Los Angeles city schools Friday night in the 15th Annual All-City finals held in conjunction with the ninth annual Coliseum relays.

One Gaucho Bee and three Cees earned the right to compete in the finals of their divisions Saturday at the L.A. Coliseum.

Finalists from Coach Sheldon Loughborough's and Dick Valen's teams are Bob Dalgney, 440, high jump, and relay; Mike Moore, high jump; Dale Atkeson, shot put; Ted Biller, pole vault; Jack Widman, pole vault; Gary Phillips, Don Headley, and Earl James, relay.

Dalgney, star soph, negotiated the quarter mile in an unofficial 51.2 Friday to grab a third place in his heat, which was won by Wright of University in 50.3s.

Both Dalgney and teammate Mike Moore cleared a qualifying height of 5 ft., 10 ins. in the high jump. Jack Widman, school and Marine record holder, and Gaucho Ted Biller did the same at 11 ft., 6 in. in the pole vault.

Atkeson heaved the shot 49 ft., 9 1/2 in. to grab a fourth place among the qualifiers in his event.

Biggest disappointment of the day as far as Narbonne was concerned turned out to be the broad jump, where three of the Gaucho jumpers, Moore, Dalgney, and Bob Ditto had done about a foot beyond the distance needed to qualify.

But none of 'em did it Friday. Gaucho Sam Isom has cleared 12 ft. in the pole vault but couldn't get over the necessary 11 ft., 6 in. in the prelims.

Bill Stitts, former Marine champ in both hurdles, was eligible but did not compete.

The Gaucho varsity 880 relay combine of Phillips, Headley, James, and Dalgney sports the best time in the city at 1:32.2 and is favored to edge the Pirates in this event. There were no relay preliminaries.

Jim Randels was sole Narbonne Bee qualifier with a shot put heave of 44 ft., 4 ins. for tenth.

Johnny Mitchell in the 660, Larry Giminez in pole vault and shot put, and Gary Collins in the low hurdles comprised the Gaucho Cee qualifiers.

Jefferson topped the varsity competition with 20 qualifying places; Jordan was second with 11; and Narbonne and Polytechnic tied for third with six each.

Chico Pacheco of Banning won his heat in the mile but Pilot Dave Pacheco was forced to take second for the first time this season in his half mile heat.

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Redondo Takes Bay League Baseball Title

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The winners were defeated the following afternoon by Loyola, 6-4, in a C.I.F. playoff contest.

Going into the top half of the final inning, the visitors pushed across three runners to go in front. The home town gang erred twice in allowing the champs their hard-earned win.

Torrance outlit the beach boys, 8-6.

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Young Cindermen to Run in Grade School Meet

Torrance's future cindermen will take to the lime-stripped pathways this Saturday.

The occasion will be the annual tri-sponsored Grade School Field Day to be held at the Torrance Elementary School playground. Elmer "Red" Moon, director of city sports, said that the events are set to start at 9:30 a.m.

Moon said that the field day is under the combined sponsorship of the YMCA, the Optimist Club, and the City Recreation department.

Entry in the meet is open to any boy in grade school, with competition being held on an individual basis for two of the classifications, Junior Division (under 10 years) and Senior Division (10 years and older).

Each of the four elementary schools participating is expected to have four entries in each division for 50-yard dash, high jump, running broad jump, standing broad jump, and the baseball throw, for which a regulation 12-inch softball will be used. Each boy will be given three throws.

Awarding and judging will be under the sponsorship of the Torrance Optimist Club. Ribbons will be awarded to the first three places.

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FIRST ROUND CHAMPS... National Supply's Blues won the right to battle in the championship playoffs by defeating Lovelady Hardware Monday night. Top row, left to right: Donnie Cooke, third base; Earl Clayton, first base; Pat Malone, catcher; Dick Bowman, pitcher; Bobbie Golden, center field; Francis Munsterman, right field. Bottom row: Leo Morris, first base

(playing manager); Bobby Stewart, short stop; Shorty Lazzarotto, second base; Brewster Drummond, pitcher; Bill Dietlin, center field; Jack Buffalo, coach; and David Murray, bat boy. Earl Morrell, pitcher; Bill Trent, third base; Jim Carlin, right field; Harold Murray, NSCO official scorekeeper; Sid Bailey, third base; and "Spud" Murphy, business manager; not shown.

Morrell, Now 50, Goes the Route as National Blues Win 1st Round



NO FISH STORY... This giant 9-pound trout was captured in Crowley Lake, L.A. City Recreation & Park Dept.'s paradise for fishermen in the High Sierras, which opened May 1. Smiling girl is Raisa Silverman.

National Supply softball team won a thriller from the Lovelady Hardware entry, 5 to 4 at the Municipal Park Monday night to clinch the championship of the first half for the Nationals.

The game furnished plenty of excitement. It was a crucial game that could have thrown the first half finals into a three way tie for first place, had the Hardware team won.

Manager "Spud" Murphy elected to start Morrell, his 50-year-old member of the pitching staff. Morrell has pitched for over twenty-five years in this area, and while not a speed ball artist, his ability to control the ball and his deceptive delivery has been recognized and approved in nearly every ball park in Southern California.

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Alumni Meets Varsity In Benefit Game

Whether or not the present day Torrance High baseball players are as good as the Tartar athletes of the past, will be settled Saturday evening at 8:15 p.m. at the local park when an alumni nine meet the prepsters in a benefit contest for the scoreboard at the new high school field. Admission is free and a large throng is expected.

Gil "Moose" Bennett, who contends that "present day horsehiders don't compare with those of the past," will manage the alumni squad. His strong crew is favored to down the Tartars in the big game. He boasts a group of former standouts who are still in good shape. Their experience while playing on college, semi-pro, and professional outfits will be a large advantage.

On the other hand, the high school team is young, well coached, and has worked together for a long time.

Members of the alumni club include: Pitchers—Joe Waters, and Jerry McIvaine.

Catchers—Gil Bennett and Paul Hoke.

Infielders—Joe Ban, Pete Dodos, Bill Bynum, Clair Johnson, Sam Intermill, Bill Johnson, and Wally Williams.

Outfielders—Gordie Smith, Sam Intermill, Bill Johnson, and Wally Williams.

Since assuming the position of head basketball coach in 1938, Coach Aubrey Bonham's Whittier teams have won five undisputed Southern California Interscholastic Conference championships and tied for one.

FOOTBALL MAGIC

Winning 82 games since taking over the head coaching duties in 1929, Coach Wallace "Chief" Newman's Whittier College football teams have brought five Southern California Interscholastic Conference grid crowns to Quakerville.

RECORD

Bill Moore, Whittier College casaba great, set an all time Pacific Coast collegiate high scoring mark with 1625 touchdowns in his four year varsity basketball career from 1945-1949.

NEXT YEAR—L.A. Milwaukee was the first American city of 500,000 or more to go over the top in the 1949 Red Cross fund drive for the seventh consecutive year.

BIG JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

More than nineteen million American children belong to the American Junior League, of which 400,000 live in Los Angeles and vicinity.

WIDESPREAD

James R. Dancy, director of disaster relief and preparedness for Los Angeles Red Cross, announces that this type of operation was carried on in 46 states and Alaska last year.

FIRST AID

The Red Cross maintains nearly 2000 highway first aid stations and more than 10,000 mobile first aid units throughout the country. In Los Angeles and vicinity alone, there are 15 highway stations and 42 mobile units now active.

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Twenty Hits Stifle Whittier Sportsmen

Connecting on a terrific total of twenty hits, the Torrance Police easily notched another victory by their credit and had a field day as they buried the

Battles End for Initial Round Softball Spots

FIRST GAME THURSDAY, MAY 12

Neil Wise and Jack Berry came through to pitch General Petroleum to a 7-2 victory over Avalon Carson in the first game of Thursday night's double header in the Torrance Industrial Softball League. This was G.P.'s fifth win and put them in a tie with Harvey Machine for third place.

Wise had a 6-0 lead until the sixth inning, when Avalon scored two runs on two hits. Jack Berry took over the mound chores for Neil in the top of the seventh to save his ball game by setting down Avalon in quick order.

Al Coast pitched Lovelady Hardware to a 3-1 victory over Goodyear in the Torrance Park to put them in a tie with the Rubber boys for second place.

If Lovelady Hardware had won Monday night (May 16) against National Supply, the league would have fallen into a three-way tie for first.

Coast allowed the Goodyear nine but two hits and their only run on an error in the fourth inning.

Gen. Petroleum... 100 321 x-7 h e r

Avalon Carson... 001 002 0-2 5 6

Batteries: Wise, Perry and Wilson, Charles Garrison and Clyde Garrison.

Lovelady... 021 006 0-9 6 2 2

Goodyear... 000 000 x-1 2

Batteries: Coast and Bennett; Suseri, Tuttle and Brady.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Behind the steady pitching of Hank Brissinger the National Home nine skinned past the Dow Chemical team 3-2 in the first game of Friday night's double header. This was National Home's fourth win out of the eight games played.

The second game showed the Steelworkers coming from behind in the sixth inning with three straight hits, a walk and another hit to defeat American Rock Wool 6-3.

National Home... 000 300 0-1 h e

Dow Chemical... 001 001 0-2 5 1

Batteries: Brissinger and Turner; Tuttle and Donohue.

Steelworkers... 000 104 1-1 h e

Amer. Rock Wool... 000 300 0-3 7 2

Batteries: Cannon, and Anderson; Hunt and Anderson.

MONDAY NIGHT

First Game

Although Sam James, leftfielder, pounded the old apple for three hits Monday night and pitcher Dean Richie allowed only four hits Harvey Machine failed to stop the Underdog Avalon-Carson from scoring four runs to nab their third league victory.

Avalon... 129 100 0-4 4 2 2

Harvey... 000 000 2-2 3 2

Batteries: Charles Garrison and Garrison; Richie and Tuzzolino.

(Second game Monday night between National Supply and Lovelady Hardware is reported elsewhere on these pages.)

TUESDAY NIGHT

With only half the lights burning and the field muddy and slippery General Petroleum edged past National Home in the rain, 4-3.

After the last runner had made his last slippery slide of the evening in the second game it developed that Goodyear's Burl Tuttle had Mickey Finned American Rock Wool with a series of water balls to grab the high and dry end of a 6-2 score.

Gen. Petroleum... 003 010 x-1 h e

National Home... 003 000 0-3 5 3

Batteries: Wise and Wilson; Brissinger and Turner.

Second Game

Goodyear Rubber... 002 220 x-6 4 5 5

Amer. Rock Wool... 100 001 0-2 4 2

Batteries: Tuttle and Brady; Rhine and Anderson; McKinney.

Advertisement for Otto, Moe, Bill featuring a car and text: "Phil's the best Seat Cover salesman in town!"

Advertisement for Wayne Wood and his Prairie Schooner Boys, Sensational Radio and Recording Artist, featuring Al Romero.

Advertisement for Hot Rod Show at Carrell Speedway, Saturday Night, May 21st, Sunday, May 22nd, 1 p.m. Qualifying for May 28th 500-Lap Race.

Advertisement for Harbor Pontiac Co. featuring car services, financing, and contact information.